

ABSTRACT:

The invention disclosed provides a verification circuit and method for sending an operator-generated signal to a frozen remote computer processor that will be distinguished from an unintentional short circuit. The apparatus includes a USB
5 connective cable having a momentary contact switch able to create a series of intentional short circuits that are transmitted to a counter circuit. According to the method of the invention, the user of the computer having a frozen remote processor activates the switch multiple times within a fixed time period so that the counter and associated circuit recognize that an intentional reset request is being sent, and transmit
10 a signal to reboot the processor.